

NEWS FROM RICHMOND AND OTHER PARTS OF VIRGINIA.

RICHMOND NEWS
AND GOSSIP

A New York Crank Writes Governor Tyler.

HE ISSUES A DECREE

Married People Ordered to Separate—Servants Must Be Discharged—National State and Principal Officers Must Resign—A Severe Penalties—The R. P. & C. Railroad—A Rumor Denied.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Richmond, Va., June 23.—A letter came to the Governor's office to-day that is beyond doubt the crankiest epistle yet received by Governor Tyler, or probably by any of his predecessors. As Private Secretary Owen said: "It lays over anything that has turned up yet."

The letter consists of a large number of closely written pages. At the top of the first page is written, "Veni, Vidi, Vici," Verbum Lapientia, and beneath is, "Palace of the Invincible King, New York City, N. Y. The letter, which is a decree, opens as follows:

"Benjamin F. Hunter, King, Pr., and Lawgiver of all nations, languages and peoples, to J. Hodge Tyler, Esq., Governor of Virginia, Executive Chamber, city of Richmond, Greeting: etc.

THE DECREE.

Then follows the decree, which purports to be citations from the royal books of the law. Governor Tyler is first informed that after July 1, 1899, all people living together as man and wife, whether having a marriage certificate or not, must cease to do so and remain as the unmarried until he establishes his marriage bureau at Washington and New York, from which certificates of marriage must be obtained. If the Decree is disregarded, the guilty shall be bound hand and foot and hanged, and their bodies thrown to the dogs and vultures.

MUST DISCHARGE SERVANTS.

He also tells the Governor that after July 1 all persons employing servants must discharge them, and that on that date all National, State, county and municipal officials, from President McKinley down, must resign their offices. The penalty of disobedience in every instance is hanging. He concludes by telling the Governor that he himself is next to God in rank, and with much circumlocution states emphatically that what he says goes. The letter is evidently the work of a madman.

THE RAILROAD WORK.

The Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina Railroad Company has directed its real estate agent to notify the tenants of property recently purchased in Richmond to vacate the premises by the 1st of August. Active preparations are making for the condemnation of such real estate as may be needed, which has not been bought at private sales. The company expects very soon to begin the work of constructing the line between Petersburg and Richmond. The iron work for the bridge to be erected across James river has been practically completed by the Pennsylvania Steel Company. There will be seven spans of 153 feet each. The contract for the masonry will be let soon, and as soon as this work is done the bridge can be completed in six weeks. There will be 550 feet of viaduct in the approaches to the bridge. The Pennsylvania company has the contract for this work also.

By the 1st of September it is believed the work of removing buildings preparatory to the laying of tracks through the city will be commenced. It is hoped to have the entire line in successful operation early next year.

A RUMOR DENIED.

President John Skelton Williams, of the Seaboard Air Line, Georgia and Alabama and Florida Central and Peninsular, said to-day there was no truth in the report that the services of several big officials of the three lines are to be dispensed with. Only agencies of the three roads in various cities are to be consolidated as a matter of economy.

AN EARLY PRIMARY.

The movement looking to the holding of an early primary is apparently losing ground, though its advocates say not.

As soon as it was stated that nominations might be made in July those who objected to so early a date began to bestir themselves, and it looks as if they might succeed in having the primary postponed until September or October.

Chairman Wallace, of the City Committee, at present favors a primary about the usual time. He says, however, that he will take the responsibility of convening the committee without being petitioned if convinced that the people want early nominations. Mr. Wallace states that in his judgment a plan that will be fair to all is far more important than the date.

VISITORS COMING.

A party of 200 excursionists from Cincinnati will spend a day and a night here on July 14th. They have engaged quarters at Ford's Hotel. From Richmond they will go to Old Point, and thence to New York by the Old Dominion Steamship Line.

These visitors will be here while the city is filled with visitors to the Baptist Young People's Union Convention.

MR. GRUBBS DEAD.

Mr. William Henry Grubbs, of Hanover, died yesterday evening at his residence, near Cold Harbor.

He was a brother of Mr. James T. Grubbs, of this city. The funeral took place this afternoon.

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PETERSBURG.

A Letter From Hon. Anthony M. Keeley.

Illicit Distillery Captured in Lunenburg—Helms of the Civil War—Improvements at Emporia—A County Marriage—Personals.

Petersburg, Va., June 23.—On Monday last United States Deputy Collectors Charles Gee and C. J. Newcomb seized and destroyed an illicit distillery at Wattsboro, Lunenburg county, said to belong to Mr. C. W. Hardie. This distillery had a capacity of five hundred gallons every twenty-four hours. The collectors also seized five hundred gallons of beer, one hundred and fifty gallons of whiskey, three barrels of molasses and seventy-five fermenters.

RELICS OF THE WAR.

Captain E. W. Mosby, the courteous and efficient conductor on the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina railroad, is the possessor of two boards imbedded with bullets which were cut from two trees at Burgess Mill, in Dinwiddie county. One of these boards has in it three bullets and the other two bullets. The bullets in the latter were fired in opposite directions. All of the bullets are supposed to have been fired into these trees during the attempt of the Federal army to enter Petersburg in October, 1864.

IMPROVEMENTS AT EMPORIA.

The report of Mr. P. E. Burgwynn, civil engineer of Richmond, Va., was so satisfactory as to the possibilities of the development of the water power at Emporia, Va., that capitalists have purchased the property and will proceed to make the improvements.

Those contemplated are the erection of a cotton mill, corn mill and furniture factory, and the use of power to supercede steam in the present factories.

PRETTY MARRIAGE IN DINWIDDIE.

There was a very pretty marriage at the residence of the brother of the bride, Mr. S. J. Mayer, in Dinwiddie county, on the 19th instant, when Mr. Z. Morris Keen of Newark, N. J., was united in marriage to Miss Catharine A. Mayer, Rev. Charles Green officiated. The bride was attired in a handsome white silk organdie trimmed over elaborately with white satin ribbon and carried a bouquet of white carnations and maiden hair fern. The groom was in the conventional black. Miss Josephine Mayer, the maid of honor, wore a canary colored silk, trimmed with white lace. After the marriage refreshments were served. The couple came to Petersburg and left on an extended trip North.

PERSONALS.

Miss Annie Rolfe, daughter of Mr. W. R. Rolfe, of this city, is quite sick.

Miss Sallie Dunstan, a widely known young lady of this city, is quite ill at her home.

Rev. Father O'Farrell, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, received a letter this week from Hon. Anthony M. Keeley, Judge of the International Court, at Cairo, Egypt, a life position to which he was appointed by President Cleveland.

Judge Keeley is a native of Petersburg, and received his early education in St. Joseph's School here. He is known to, and admired by, all our people, as a man of profound and brilliant attainments. He writes, however, that he is getting advanced in years, and has little expectation of ever returning to his old home again. He has only been here once since he went to Cairo.

NEWPORT NEWS.

Big Cut in Grain Rates From Chicago.

Will Go Into Effect Monday—The Alexandria, With a Cargo of Twenty Locomotives, Will Sail Tomorrow From Copenhagen.

Newport News, Va., June 23.—On Monday the rate of grain from Chicago to Newport News and other Eastern ports will suffer a heavy cut, and beginning with that date the shipments of grain to this city will increase in large quantities. During the past two weeks the receipts of oats and corn here have been enormous, and the 1,750,000 bushel elevator is about full. To use the words of one of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad officials, "the company needs its new 1,000,000 bushel elevator right now."

The cut in rates from Chicago by the railroads centering there will greatly benefit this port, and it is expected that other roads will soon follow with similar reductions.

ENGINES FOR SWEDEN.

The Danish steamship Alexandria, which has been in port for the past two weeks loading engines for Sweden, will sail to-morrow evening for Copenhagen with her valuable cargo.

The Alexandria dropped down to the coal pier from the shipyard early in the week and has taken on sufficient coal to last her the voyage. She is one of the United States Shipping Company's chartered vessels, and the engines are consigned to their care. At Copenhagen the twenty locomotives will be unloaded and shipped to Gothenburg, Sweden.

The Richmond Locomotive Works built these peculiarly constructed iron horses, which have neither cow-catchers nor bells. They were shipped here in parts and have been carefully loaded aboard the ship which is to carry them across the ocean.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The changes started at the Young Men's Christian Association last week are almost completed, and it is expected that by Monday the Association will occupy its new addition on the second floor of the Jones building. The equipment for the new bath room has arrived and will be put in at once. When the improvements are completed the Y. M. C. A. will occupy the entire second floor of the building.

TOWN OF SUFFOLK

A Pretty Fifteen Year Old Girl Drowned.

The Body of a Twelve Year Old Boy Recovered From Smith's Creek—Death of Dick Smith—A Boy Mangled—Other Matters.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Suffolk, Va., June 23.—Last evening at sunset pretty Lydia Robins, 15 years old, gave up her young life in the dark waters of Chuckatuck creek. She was out rowing with girl friends about the same age—Misses Ollie Richardson, Maggie Adams and Lenora Mertig. Lydia was in the boat's bow. She reached over in the water to grab something and fell. She was visiting the family of Captain S. R. Hazlewood, at Crittenden, twenty miles from here. That's near the confluence of Chuckatuck creek with James river.

STRUGGLED WITH THE WAVES.

As Lydia disappeared beneath the water her companions gave little yells of alarm. None of them could swim. It was agonizing to see their young friend battle hopelessly for life. The battle was short. She had gone down the last time before any assistance could come from the shore. The water is about eleven feet deep at that point. The body was recovered.

DROWNED IN SMITH'S CREEK.

After several hours of awful, weary suspense, the body of Henry Newell, 12 years of age, was fished from the bottom of Smith's creek, two miles from here, about 11 o'clock last night. Henry's mother, Mrs. George M. Newell, of Washington, D. C., had missed him in the afternoon, and though she feared the worst, all hope was not relinquished till the lifeless body was found.

FOR HENRY'S SAKE.

Henry was in delicate health and it was for his sake and in pursuance of his doctor's orders that his father, Mr. George M. Newell, of Washington, D. C., decided to establish a summer home near Pitch Kettle bridge, in Nansemond county. Mr. Newell is an expert photographer employed by the Treasury Department in Washington. The family arrived at their summer residence less than a week ago.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

Little Henry was accustomed to being humored. He and his mother went down to the creek, where a boat was moored. Henry had a hand net, and was playing. Mrs. Newell went to a nearby spring to get a glass of water, and when she returned Henry had disappeared. Inquiry failing of his whereabouts, and then a search party was organized. It is supposed he sank immediately after falling. The boy may have had an epileptic fit. He was subject to spasms.

The remains will be taken to Henderson, N. C., for burial. Mr. Newell, Mrs. K. B. Corbitt, of Henderson, Mrs. Newell's mother, and Mrs. H. E. Brewer, of Rocky Mount, her sister, came to-night. Mrs. Newell is a niece of Mrs. B. F. Ashburn, a cousin of Mrs. John King of Suffolk.

Little Henry was a very bright boy. He was religious in tendency and about six months ago joined a Presbyterian Church in Washington.

DICK SMITH DEAD.

Mr. Richard Smith, a well-known citizen of the county, died suddenly last night at his home, near Somerton. He was something over 60 years old. He leaves a family. The funeral took place to-day. The burial was near his late home.

A BOY MANGLED.

Green Edwards, 11 years old, tried to board a moving Norfolk and Western freight train at 1 o'clock to-day. The act was fatal. Green fell between the cars and was dragged some distance, the wheels grinding his limbs into mince meat. Pieces of bone and flesh were left along the rails.

The injured boy was taken to the Norfolk and Western depot and the road's surgeon, Dr. W. W. Murray, summoned. Dr. Murray saw he couldn't recover. All he could do was to make dying easy. Injections were administered. The right leg was ground off near the body, while the left one was crushed below the knee. Lying there mangled and bleeding, a sickly sight, the sufferer bore up bravely and waited for death. He was thoroughly conscious and continued to ask for water. Death came about 5 o'clock.

Green was a son of Elias Edwards, a well liked colored man employed at the Seaboard depot.

NOT ENOUGH NAMES YET.

There was another meeting of citizens to-night for furthering a local military organization. They got a few more names, making about half enough to organize. The next meeting will be Thursday of next week.

BASEBALL FIGHT.

Suffolk's colored ball team went off with an excursion and played against a Newport News team. Some of them were disabled when they got home. Dave Armstrong had a jaw bone broken and Bradford Hunter was stabbed. The game had a close finish, but Suffolk claimed a victory. A row came at the end, in which ball bats and pistols could be seen. The Suffolk boys had bricks to follow them after they boarded the cars. Bloodfield people were in the fracas.

SAM HOLLAND DISCHARGED.

Court convened to-day in the county to hear the case against Sam T. Holland, who had a difficulty with Luther Luter over a watch trade. Lawyer S. E. Everett, of Suffolk, appeared for the defense. Justices R. H. Baker, F. W. Rawles and R. C. Dougherty presided. Holland was dismissed.

RUNAWAY HORSE.

A horse being driven by Assistant

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Postmaster Beverly Brothers, whose wife was with him, got unruly this evening. The occupants alighted without injury. The animal then ran and broke the carriage, which was left behind him.

TALES OF PEOPLE.

Miss Jennie Ware Pretlow arrived to-night for a short visit to her sister, Mrs. James L. McLemore, Bank and Pinner streets. Miss Pretlow has been teaching in Loudon county, and is now en route to her home in Southampton.

Mr. H. J. Bowen found a May Queen ice cream freezer on the sidewalk. The owner can have it by calling at his home, No. 7 Grace street.

Messrs. J. T. Sheets and J. D. Corbell, of Port Norfolk, Va., were in Suffolk to-day.

Mr. E. E. Wagner, a merchant of Everette, was in town to-day.

Rev. J. R. Taylor, of Wake Forest, N. C., will preach for Rev. J. F. Love at the Baptist Church Sunday morning. The pastor will fill his pulpit in the evening.

Miss Mary Litchfield, of Abingdon, Va., is visiting the Misses Carpenter at 15 Franklin street.

Sunday will be observed as Children's Day at Providence Methodist Church.

Hon. J. E. Booker returned to-day from Indianapolis.

Miss Pattie Pretlow, who had been visiting in Washington a month, arrived to-day to be Mrs. R. S. Boykin's guest before returning to her home, Surry county.

Willie McAnge and Jim Twitty have returned from college to pass their vacation at home—the former from Blacksburg, and the latter from the Virginia Military Institute.

Change of Schedule C. & O. Railway

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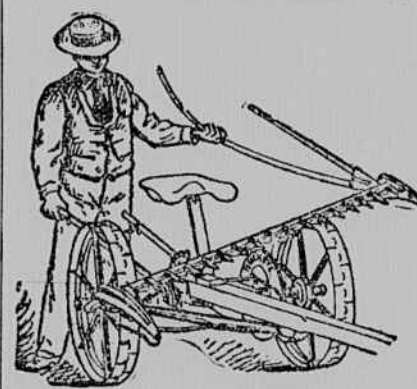
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